

REMARKS

The above amendments and following remarks are submitted within the 60 day priority period under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in response to the Final Official Action of the Examiner mailed January 31, 2006. Having addressed all objections and grounds of rejection, claims 1-20, being all the pending claims, are now deemed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration to that end is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 have been allowed.

Claim 21 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,627,993, issued to Abato et al (hereinafter referred to as "Abato") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,564,035, issued to Lai (hereinafter referred to as "Lai"). In response thereto and in view of the allowance of claims 1-20, claim 21 has been canceled.

Claims 22-25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Abato in view of Lai and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,061,766, issued to Lynch et al (hereinafter referred to as "Lynch"). In response thereto and in view of the allowance of claims 1-20, claims 22-25 have been canceled.

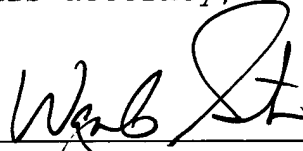
Having thus responded to each objection and ground of rejection, Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment and allowance of claims 1-20, being the only pending claims.

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